

Senate Resolution 164

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Adelman of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd, Henson of the 41st and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Reverend Raleigh Rucker; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Raleigh Rucker answered his first call to the service of the Lord after
3 a full and active life of community service; and
- 4 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
5 troubled, or ministering through love and understanding, Reverend Rucker shows the energy,
6 devotion, and commitment truly reflective of divine guidance; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Rucker is a source of
8 strength, inspiration, and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic
9 strata; and
- 10 WHEREAS, his lifetime of serving God's plan has continued through his 29 years of
11 enlightened stewardship as founder and pastor of Mount Patmos Baptist Church; and
- 12 WHEREAS, under his guiding heart and gentle hands, Mount Patmos Baptist Church has
13 blossomed as its congregation increased from 16 to over 4,500 members and thrived as an
14 institution that ministers to the community, and as one of the most progressive congregations
15 in DeKalb County; and
- 16 WHEREAS, his leadership was responsible for the current church property becoming
17 mortgage and debt free in 1997; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding accomplishments
19 of the dynamic ministry of this devout and pious servant of the Lord.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 join to commend Reverend Raleigh Rucker for his unparalleled record of community service

1 and his innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need and congratulate him
2 upon the grand occasion of his 29th year as pastor of Mount Patmos Baptist Church in
3 humble service to the Lord, and extend to him the most sincere best wishes for continued
4 health and happiness.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
6 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Raleigh Rucker.